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FOR: MUTATED 5-ENOL PYRUVYLSHIKIMATE-

3-PHOSPHATE SYNTHASE, GENE CODING FOR SAID PROTEIN AND TRANSFORMED

PLANTS CONTAINING SAID GENE

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST-CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON D.C. 20231 ON

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME **UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

It is requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated August 21, 2000 be extended 1 month so that it expires on October 21, 2000.

If a further extension is needed, such extension is requested, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to debit any other amount which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 03-2775.

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A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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